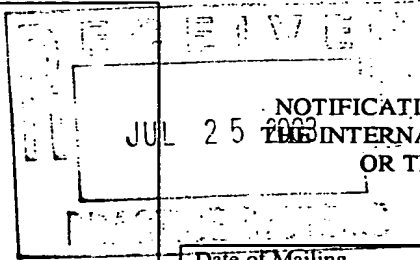


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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF
THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT
OR THE DECLARATION

(PCT Rule 44.1)

Date of Mailing
(day/month/year)

22 JUL 2003

Applicant's or agent's file reference
07039-404WO1

FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below

International application No.
PCT/US03/06380

International filing date
(day/month/year)

28 February 2003 (28.02.2003)

Applicant
MAYO FOUNDATION FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

1. ☒ The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report has been established and is transmitted herewith.

Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19:

The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the international application (see Rule 46):

When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally two months from the date of transmittal of the international search report.

Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO, 34, chemin des Colombettes
1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, Facsimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35

For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.

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ACTION: Resp- Search Report

BASE: 7-22-03

2. ☐ The applicant is hereby notified that no international search report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect is transmitted herewith.

DUE: 9-22-03

3. ☐ With regard to the protest against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:

DEADLINE: 9-22-03

- ☐ the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices;

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- ☐ no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.

4. Reminders

Shortly after 18 months from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in Rules 90 bis.1 and 90 bis.3, respectively, before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication.

Within 19 months from the priority date, but only in respect of some designated Offices, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase until 30 months from the priority date (in some Offices even later); otherwise the applicant must, within 20 months from the priority date, perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before those designated Offices.

In respect of other designated Offices, the time limit of 30 months (or later) will apply even if no demand is filed within 19 months.

See the Annex to Form PCT/IB/301 and, for details about the applicable time limits, Office by Office, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume II, National Chapters and the WIPO Internet site.

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Form PCT/ISA/220 (April 2002)

(See notes on accompanying sheet)

Docketed By Billing Secretary

Due Date: 9/22/03

Deadline: 9/22/03

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 07039-404WO1	FOR FURTHER ACTION	see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
International application No. PCT/US03/06380	International filing date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 28 February 2003 (28.02.2003)	(Earliest) Priority Date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 01 March 2002 (01.03.2002)
Applicant MAYO FOUNDATION FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH		

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 5 sheets.



It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the Report

a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.



the international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

b. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, the international search was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:



contained in the international application in written form.



filed together with the international application in computer readable form.



furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.



furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.



the statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.



the statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.

2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).

3. ☒ **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box II).

4. With regard to the **title**,



the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.



the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,



the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.



the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. The figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. _____



as suggested by the applicant.



because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.



because this figure better characterizes the invention.



None of the figures

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Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of Item 1 of first sheet)

This international report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claim Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
2. ☐ Claim Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☐ Claim Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of Item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:
Please See Continuation Sheet

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. ☒ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.: 1-6

Remark on Protest

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- The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC(7) : G01N 33/48, 33/53, 33/555, 33/567
US CL : 435/7.24; 436/63

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

U.S. : 435/7.24; 436/63

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

Please See Continuation Sheet

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	YASUKO et al. Degranulation of eosinophils by IgG antibody to Candida antigen.	1-5
---	Japanese Journal of Allergology. 1999, Volume 48, Number 5, pages 546-553, see	-----
Y	english abstract.	6
Y	OHASHI et al. Sulochrin Inhibits Eosinophil Degranulation. J. Antibiot. 1997, Volume	6
	50, Number 11, pages 972-974, see abstract.	
Y	WO 00/65341 A1 (MAYO FOUNDATION FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION AND	6
	RESEARCH) 02 November 2000 (02-11-00), see entire document.	

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.

☐ See patent family annex.

* Special categories of cited documents:

"A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance

"E" earlier application or patent published on or after the international filing date

"L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)

"O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means

"P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed

"T"

later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention

"X"

document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone

"Y"

document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art

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document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search

17 June 2003 (17.06.2003)

Date of mailing of the international search report

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BOX II. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION IS LACKING

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. In order for all inventions to be examined, the appropriate additional examination fees must be paid.

Group 1, claim(s) 1-6, drawn to methods of identifying an inhibitor of fungus-induced eosinophil degranulation.

Group 2, claim(s) 7-14, drawn to method of identifying a fungal component that induces eosinophil degranulation.

Group 3, claim(s) 12-22, drawn to methods of identifying an inhibitor using cells from a chronic rhinosinusitis patient.

Group 4, claim(s) 23-31, drawn to a method of identifying a factor that induces eosinophil fungus attack using cells from a chronic rhinosinusitis patient.

Group 5, claim(s) 32-38, drawn to a method of identifying an inhibitor of a T cell response to fungus using cells from a chronic rhinosinusitis patient.

Group 6 claim(s) 39-42, drawn to method of identifying a fungal antigen that induces a T cell response to fungus using cells from a chronic rhinosinusitis patient.

Group 7, claim(s) 43-50, drawn to a method for identifying a compound that inhibits an eosinophilic response using animals.

Group 8, claim(s) 51-58, drawn to a non-human animal or population thereof comprising an eosinophilic response induced by administration of a fungal antigen.

The inventions listed as Groups 1-8 do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:

The technical feature of Group 1 is the observation that fungal antigens induce eosinophil degranulation. This technical feature is anticipated by Yasuko et al *Japanese Journal of Allergology, 48(5):546-553, 1999) see abstract provided.

The technical feature of Group 2 is using eosinophilic degranulation as a means to screen for fungal factors that induces eosinophil degranulation.

The technical feature of Group 3 is a means to identify inhibitors of eosinophil fungus attack using cultured cells from a chronic rhinosinusitis patient.

The technical feature of Group 4 is a method to identify a factor that induces eosinophil fungus attack using cells from a chronic rhinosinusitis patient.

The technical feature of Group 5 is a method of identifying an inhibitor of a T cell response to fungus using cells from a chronic rhinosinusitis patient.

The technical feature of Group 6 is a method of identifying a fungal antigen that induces a T cell response to fungus using cells from a chronic rhinosinusitis patient.

The technical feature of Group 7 is a method for identifying a compound that inhibits an eosinophilic response using animals.

The technical feature of Group 8 is a non-human animal or population thereof comprising an eosinophilic response induced by administration of a fungal antigen.

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The technical feature of Group 1, require eosinophilic degranulation induced by a fungal factor, Groups 3-8 do not possess eosinophil degranulation in the method steps and as such lack the same technical feature of Group 1. Group 2, lacks unity with Group 1, because the technical feature of Group 1 is anticipated by the art and therefore not "special" within the meaning of PCT Rule 13.2 because it does not provide for a contribution that the claimed invention makes over the prior art.

Continuation of B. FIELDS SEARCHED Item 3:

MEDLINE, WEST, EMBASE, DERWENT.

SEARCH TERMS: EOSINOPHIL(S), DEGRANULAT\$, MAJOR BASIC PROTEIN, MBP, NEUROTOXIN, ALTERNARIA, CANDIDA, ASPERGILLUS, CLADISPORIUM, INHIBIT\$, REDUCE, ELIMINATE.

NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220

These Notes are intended to give the basic instructions concerning the filing of amendments under Article 19. The Notes are based on the requirements of the Patent Cooperation Treaty and of the Regulations and the Administrative Instructions under that Treaty. In case of discrepancy between these Notes and those requirements, the latter are applicable. For more detailed information, see also the PCT Applicant's Guide, a publication of WIPO.

In these Notes, "Article", "Rule" and "Section" refer to the provisions of the PCT, the PCT Regulations and the PCT Administrative Instructions, respectively.

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING AMENDMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 19

The applicant has, after having received the international search report, one opportunity to amend the claims of the international application. It should however be emphasized that, since all parts of the international application (claims, description and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination procedure, there is usually no need to file amendments of the claims under Article 19 except where, e.g. the applicant wants the latter to be published for the purposes of provisional protection or has another reason for amending the claims before international publication. Furthermore, it should be emphasized that provisional protection is available in some States only.

What parts of the international application may be amended ?

The claims only.

The description and the drawings may only be amended during international preliminary examination under Chapter II.

When ? Within 2 months from the date of transmittal of the international search report or 16 months from the priority date, whichever time limit expires later. It should be noted, however, that the amendments will be considered as having been received on time if they are received by the International Bureau after the expiration of the applicable time limit but before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rule 46.1).

Where not to file the amendments ?

The amendments may only be filed with the International Bureau and not with the receiving Office or the International Searching Authority (Rule 46.2).

Where a demand for international preliminary examination has been/is filed, see below.

How ? Either by cancelling one or more entire claims, by adding one or more new claims or by amending the text of one or more of the claims as filed.

A replacement sheet must be submitted for each sheet of the claims which, on account of an amendment or amendments, differs from the sheet originally filed.

All the claims appearing on a replacement sheet must be numbered in Arabic numerals. Where a claim is cancelled, no renumbering of the other claims is required. In all cases where claims are renumbered, they must be renumbered consecutively (Administrative Instructions, Section 205(b)).

What documents must/may accompany the amendments ?

Letter (Section 205(b)):

The amendments must be submitted with a letter.

The letter will not be published with the international application and the amended claims. It should not be confounded with the "Statement under Article 19(1)" (see below, under "Statement under Article 19(1)").

The letter must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and the claims as amended. It must, in particular, indicate, in connection with each claim appearing in the international application (it being understood that identical indications concerning several claims may be grouped), whether

- (i) the claim is unchanged;
- (ii) the claim is cancelled;
- (iii) the claim is new;
- (iv) the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- (v) the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed.

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